

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Previously Presented) A damper of a drum type washing machine comprising:

a cylinder;

a piston rod inserted to be movable linearly in the cylinder;

a unitary guide member located between the piston and the cylinder provided with an internal coupling hole to which an insertion portion of the rod member is coupled at a center thereof in order to attenuate vibration according to a width size of vibration transferred to a tub by multi-stage, and provided with first and second grooves at an outer circumferential surface thereof facing the cylinder;

a fixed damping structural member fitted into the first groove and adhered to an inner surface of the cylinder; and

a movable damping structural member up and down movably fitted into the second groove and to selectively come into frictional contact with the inner surface of the cylinder.

2. (Original) The damper of claim 1, wherein the cylinder is provided with a fixed portion to be fixed to a cabinet of a drum type washing machine at one side thereof and is provided with an accommodation portion at another side thereof, and the piston rod is provided with a fixed portion to be fixed to a tub of the drum type washing machine at one side thereof and is provided with an insertion portion elastically inserted into the accommodation portion at another side thereof.

3. (Original) The damper of a drum type washing machine of claim 2, wherein an inclination surface that a middle portion thereof is more concaved than both ends is formed at a bottom surface of the second groove.

4. (Original) The damper of a drum type washing machine of claim 1, wherein stoppers adhered to an inner surface of the cylinder are formed at both sides of the first and second grooves.

5-12. (Canceled)

13. (Currently Amended) A damper of a drum type washing machine comprising:

a cylinder;

a piston rod inserted to be movable linearly in the cylinder;

a guide member provided with a coupling hole to which an insertion portion of the rod member is coupled at a center thereof in order to attenuate vibration according to a width size of vibration transferred to a tub by multi-stage, and provided with first and second grooves at an outer circumferential surface thereof and provided with stoppers formed at both sides of the first and second grooves;

a fixed damping structural member fitted into the first groove and movably contacted to an inner surface of the cylinder; and

a movable damping member up and down movably fitted into the second groove, ~~adhered~~ not contacted to the inner surface of the cylinder in case that the width size of vibration transferred to the tub is relatively less and movably contacted to the inner surface of the cylinder for sliding by the stopper in case that the width size of vibration transferred to the tub is relatively great.